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SUBJECT: STATE PRESIDENT CALLS FOR CURBS ON SO-CALLED  
PRESSURE GROUPS

1. ADDRESSING OPENING SESSION OF PARLIAMENT FEBRUARY 1,  
STATE PRESIDENT J.J. FOUCHE ALLEGED THAT A "NUMBER OF  
PRESSURE GROUPS" INSIDE SOUTH AFRICA, WHICH HE DID NOT  
NAME, WERE TRYING TO BRING ABOUT "UNCONSTITUTIONAL"  
POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE IN COUNTRY. ""THREAT  
OF INTERNAL VIOLENCE" WAS IMPLICIT IN THESE GROUPS'  
"RADICAL, EVEN REVOLUTIONARY" ACTIVITIES, WHICH HE SAID  
WERE FINANCED ALMOST ENTIRELY FROM ABROAD, "IN SOME CASES  
FROM QUARTERS WHICH FINANCE TERRORIST MOVEMENTS."

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2. FOUCHE SAID IT WAS NECESSARY FOR PARLIAMENT TO CONSIDER

MEASURES TO PREVENT SUCH PRESSURE GROUPS FROM "ARTIFICIALLY CREATING A PARTICULAR POLITICAL CLIMATE INTERNALLY, AND TO PREVENT THEM FROM PRESENTING A ONE-SIDED AND DISTORTED IMAGE OF SOUTH AFRICA ABROAD AND FROM ACCEPTING MONEY FROM OUTSIDE THE BORDERS OF SOUTH AFRICA TO FURTHER A CAUSE WHICH CANNOT FIND SUFFICIENT FINANCIAL BACKING IN THE COUNTRY ITSELF."

3. STATE PRESIDENT ALSO NOTED UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL'S DECISION TO "END" SECRETARY-GENERAL'S CONTACTS WITH SAG ON FUTURE OF NAMIBIA. HE SAID THIS DECISION REFLECTED CONTINUED RAPID DETERIORATION OF UN INTO "INSTRUMENT FOR THE FABRICATION OF ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN PROPAGANDA AND HATRED." UNLESS, HE SAID, "COMMON SENSE" PREVAILS, "ARTIFICIALLY CREATED" CONFRONTATION WILL ONLY DEFEAT UN'S AIMS AND UNDERMINE ITS PRINCIPLES.

4. IN THINLY VEILED WARNING TO THOSE WHO WOULD CUT OFF OIL SUPPLIES TO SOUTH AFRICA, FOCHE SAID OIL CRISIS HAD UNDERLINED "INTERDEPENDENCE" OF SOUTH AFRICA AND BOTSWANA, LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND. NONE OF THE COUNTRIES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA COULD ISOLATE ITSELF FROM EFFECTS OF ECONOMIC DISTURBANCES IN THE OTHERS, HE MAINTAINED.

5. FOCHE GAVE NO HINT OF AN EARLY GENERAL ELECTION.

6. FULL TEXT BY POUCH.

7. COMMENT: STATE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH TRADITIONALLY REFLECTS POLICIES AND TONE OF INCUMBENT GOVERNMENT. IT WAS, THEREFORE, NOT SURPRISING, ON EVE OF AN EXPECTED EARLY GENERAL ELECTION IN WHICH NATIONAL PARTY IS LIKELY TO REPRESENT ITSELF AS WHITE MAN'S BEST DEFENSE IN TROUBLED TIMES, THAT FOCHE SHOULD DWELL ON INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SECURITY MATTERS. HIS WARNING ABOUT PRESSURE GROUPS PROBABLY PRESSAGES LEGISLATIVE ACTION AGAINST NATIONAL UNION OF SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENTS, CHRISTIAF INSTITUTE, INSTITUTE OF RACE RELATIONS, AND POSSIBLY CERTAIN BLACK ACTIVIST ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH HAVE BEEN SINGLED OUT BY SAG AS SUBVERSIVE. HOWEVER, IF THE ACTIVITIES OF THESE ORGANIZ-

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ATIONS ARE CURBED, RIGHTS OF ALL SOUTH AFRICANS WILL BE FURTHER ERODED.  
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